

The North Sea Floods of 1953

By Cherry Boroughs (author)

Sat 17th May 2025

Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Road, Chelmsford, CM1 2XB.

Visitors and prospective members warmly welcomed – £5.

Resume of talk:-

Cherry will give an illustrated account of the great flood with pictures of Foulness Island. She will discuss other coastal areas and how they are protected; the effects of the moon and tides. She will consider the events leading up to the great flood – the storm coming in from the Atlantic, the sinking of the Princess Victoria ferry and the storm's journey across Scotland and down the east coast as it joins the spring tide. She will discuss the immediate effects of the flood, quoting two letters from a survivor, and the impact upon Essex farmers, the repair of the sea walls before the next spring tide, and the recovery. Her book, "The Farmer and the Fury" will be available for sale.

Background:-

Cherry Boroughs is a local writer, and family law barrister, who has always lived in Essex with her farmer-husband, John, who was caught in and survived the great flood. (He will also be present at the talk to answer questions).